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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from Grimma

25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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25X1 DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE PREPARED 4 March 1954

REFERENCES

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PAGES [REDACTED] ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Between 24 January and 12 February 1954, the Strausberg Kaserne (1402), Grimma, was occupied not to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank, artillery and motor transport insignia. [REDACTED] elements of the troops were absent for exercises. On 3, 9 and 10 February, vehicular traffic was light. Motor vehicles seen en route to and from the installation [REDACTED]

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2. Between 24 January and 12 February, the Elsner Kaserne (1401) was occupied as previously by about 550 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets including 240 troops with engineer insignia, 250 troops with signal insignia and 60 troops with motor transport insignia. On 24 January, 3 trucks, including 2 trucks carrying pontoons and 1 truck carrying timber, were seen in the barracks yard, while 240 troops with signal and motor transport insignia left the installation for the club. On 9 and 10 February, armored personnel carriers [REDACTED] and about 25 troops at march practice were observed in the west section of the installation. [REDACTED]

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3. Armored personnel carriers [REDACTED] and motor vehicles [REDACTED] were seen en route between the barracks installations and the town.

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[REDACTED] Comment. As, in January, units from all posts of the 8th Gds Mecz Div were at Koenigsbrueck for firing practices, the observations in paragraph 1 are correct. The Elsner Kaserne appears to be occupied as previously.

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